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In re Application of:

Marc D. Porter et al.

Appln. No.: 10/017,467

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Group Art Unit: 1723

Examiner: David A. Reifsnyder

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
MAGNETORESISTIVE
MONITORING OF ANALYTES IN
FLOW STREAMS

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